

## **Local Food for Schools Purchasing**

Date: February 8, 2024

Time: 1:00-2:00 Location: Teams

## **Learning Collaborative Goal:**

- Provide background of the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement
- Discuss the funding timeline
- Discuss SFA options for spending dollars

Time	Activity	Additional Details
1:00 – 1:05 p.m.	Welcome & Introduction	DOE and Seeds to Success
1:05 – 1:10 p.m.	What is the Local Food for Schools Cooperative Agreement (LFS)?	<ul> <li>Background of Supply Chain Assistance Funds</li> <li>Lessons learned through the pandemic about supply chain disruptions</li> <li>How buying local can strengthen the supply chain and grow the local economy</li> <li>LFS funds are intended to be used on minimally processed local agricultural products and historically disadvantaged farmers and producers</li> </ul>
1:10 – 1:20 p.m.	Funding timeline, allocation and management	<ul> <li>Discuss how funding is allocated, LDAF is managing funds</li> <li>Review pertinent memos and current purchasing thresholds</li> </ul>



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1:20-1:45	Discuss SFA options for spending dollars	<ul> <li>Methods for utilizing the small purchase threshold</li> <li>Finding a local farmer or grower</li> </ul>	
1:45 – 2:00 p.m.	Questions	Participants are welcome to ask any questions.	

## \*Total Continuing Education (CE) Hours: 1.0

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Learning Topic Codes: 1100 Local Foods—Farm to School; 2400 Purchasing/Procurement